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Tokyo Conference:

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ITEM A: Present Document Situation in Japan

1. Basic plan prepared in writing by this office for the detailed operation of WDC (Adv) has been approved by all appropriate theater agencies including General Willoughby.
2. A conference attended by all document collecting agencies, including technical teams and occupational forces, concurred in views of WDC.
3. Complete ATIS participation assured WDC effort even though ATIS now engaged in several projects not pertinent to documents.
4. Number of documents falling into security and control classification is negligible.
5. War Department Intelligence Target Section headed by Col. W. S. Wood, (Deputy, Lt. Col. D. S. Tait), established by Theater G-2 is designed to coordinate War Department and Navy Department Intelligence Agencies in the field, Occupational Force Intelligence Agencies, CIC, etc., to insure the exploitation of War Department Intelligence Targets.
6. Large number documents now held in hands various teams for local exploitation and completion of reports.
7. Occupation forces have seized numerous targets now awaiting screening at site by ATIS and WDC. ATIS main body ETA Tokyo from Manila 5 November 1945.
8. Detailed plan of operations and forms follow by courier.

ITEM B: Organization-Army

Alert for immediate movement all officers and men, your affirmative lists dated 1 October 1945. Add Loesser, Peake, representative of OCE and representatives of Scientific and Economic Branches. Delete Holst, McKenzie, Daiuto, Wheeler, Marshall. Total Army personnel 27 officers, 32 enlisted men.

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ITEM C: Organization and Remarks - Navy

Reierstad submits there is some justification for large advance echelon as opposed to a small group of three or four which he previously advocated. Accordingly suggest that JICPOA alert six non-language officer intelligence specialists now standing by at Pearl Harbor. If it is decided to augment these by DNI-briefed officers, suggest minimum number all well qualified. From thirty JICPOA enlisted men standing by at Guam suggest JICPOA select and alert best twenty-one. It is desirable these be all yeomen if possible. These enlisted men should be issued warm clothing, sleeping bags, blankets, mess kits and flashlights. Suggest CINCPAC be requested to allocate ten Naval language officers from NAVTECHJAP pool at Sasebo. Suggest all personnel be issued orders to report to Supreme Commander Allied Powers 90 days TAD with ATIS. Arrival on or about 10 November satisfactory. You will receive authorization of movement of all personnel within few days and upon receipt of this authority personnel may be sent. Total Naval personnel suggested are 10 language officers, 6 non-language officers from JICPOA plus those from DNI, and 21 JICPOA enlisted men. Note Army requirements re immunization. Above mentioned SCAP movement authorization also signifies availability billets and messing facilities. Have received excellent cooperation from liaison office and other Naval activities. Complete report going air mail.

ITEM D: Administrative

WDC (Adv) will be attached to ATIS for administration and housing. Small detachment headquarters will serve WDC. Equipment should include normal field equipment plus two blankets plus issue sleeping bag if available or equivalent. Clothing, winter including field jacket, wool as issued for officers and men for all personnel. ATIS prepared to furnish typewriters, reproduction facilities, shipping boxes, and office supplies. Require no organizational equipment from you.

ITEM E: Movement

1. Desirable move entire force to arrive 10 November 1945. Urge special air transportation to Hamilton Field. Radio authority will be transmitted by SCAP within few days. Advise this office departure date Hamilton Field. Address all communications care of ATIS GHQ ADV APO 500.
2. All personnel must complete immunization before leaving home station. Include cholera, plague, and influenza.

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ITEM F: Queries

1. What is the policy for releasing documents to Allied Powers in Japan? Example: Naval documents not considered valuable to U. S. requested by Chinese. Can they be turned over?
2. For shipping purposes is present address of Washington Document Center still 5th and K Streets?

ITEM G: Answers to your item ONE:

1. Other technical officers not necessary. Representatives of Signal, etc., now present with technical teams in field. Consider adequate.
2. Affirmative.
3. No clerical personnel ATIS available. Strength figure my items B and C include Army and Navy ancillaries.

ITEM H: Answers

Re your question TEN: Cannot make fair estimate. Prepare for increase in volume. Few documents en route now. No real volume until WDC (Adv) commences operations here.

Re your item FIVE: Affirmative.

Re your item SIX: Affirmative; it will be three priority.

ITEM I: Queries

1. What progress WDC (Rear)?
2. Can you send two copies Korea Target Folder?
3. Where is Lt. Col. R. V. Smith? Branham has sent info to me to pass to Smith. He is not listed this Headquarters. Advise Branham I have passed info to Col. Wm. S. Wood who is for action behalf WDICC here.

New Subject

Answer to your item FOUR: Have already checked possibility of such loan arrangement with Captain Dunning of NAVTECHJAP who is now in Tokyo. Fear that personnel on this informal basis may be taken by high priority activity such as USSBS hence suggested CINCPAC be asked to make officers available.

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However will make arrangements to communicate with Captain Grimes if desired. If all Navy personnel routed through NAVTECHJAP suggest orders read NAVTECHJAP Tokyo if possible. This is in view of present poor state of communications transportation. However suggest you reconsider original recommendation as NAVTECHJAP not yet established this area whereas personnel accredited to SCAP assured of billets and mess facilities.

- ITEM J: Radio to War G-2 with info for CINCPAC will follow confirming this conference.
- ITEM K: Build fire under movement orders. Early arrival important to success here.
- ITEM L: Add three language officers if you can get them.

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